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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	:	Kurt W. Weber et al.)	Group Art Unit: 3722
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Appl. No.	:	10/041,767)	
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Filed	:	January 7, 2002)	
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For	:	INCREMENTAL STEP)	
		DRILLING SYSTEM AND)	
		METHOD)	
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Examiner	:	Howell, Daniel W.)	

AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 17, 2003, please reconsider the above-captioned Application in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2.

Remarks being on page 8 of this paper.

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